

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 586

{Senate Bill 506}

AN ACT concerning

Washington County - Deputy Sheriff's Merit System

FOR the purpose of establishing a merit system for deputy sheriffs in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2-309(w)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 2-309(w) of Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2-309.

(w) (1) The Sheriff of Washington County shall receive a salary of \$12,500. He may appoint an office deputy at a salary set by the County Commissioners. He may appoint the following additional employees who shall receive not less than the salaries indicated: two deputies—\$2,400 and \$50 per month each for the use of their automobiles; one secretary—\$1,800; a chief warden of the jail—\$2,400; an assistant warden—\$2,100; an attorney to the Sheriff—\$600; and a cook—\$1,800; additional special deputies—same salary as deputies. Salaries set by this section, except the sheriff's salary are minimum salaries and may be increased from time to time by the County Commissioners.

(2) ANY DEPUTY SHERIFF APPOINTED ACCORDING TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE PLACED ON A PROBATIONARY STATUS FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF HIS EMPLOYMENT, AND MAY BE DISMISSED BY THE SHERIFF FOR ANY REASON DURING THAT PROBATIONARY PERIOD. AT THE CONCLUSION OF TWELVE MONTHS